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C O N F I D E N T I A L QUITO 1287

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PBOR, EFIS, OAS, EC

SUBJECT: OASGA - AGENDA ITEMS

REF: STATE 45844

1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED OASGA AGENDA ITEMS WITH DIRECTOR OF OAS AFFAIRS AT FOREIGN MINISTRY ON MARCH 15.

2. IN THE COURSE OF THE CONVERSATION THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPHS 4, 5 AND 6 OF REFTEL WAS CONVEYED.

3. AGENDA ITEM 9: APPARENTLY THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS NOT SERIOUSLY CONTEMPLATED THE ULTIMATE PURPOSE OF THE OAS. EMBOFF WAS TOLD THAT THE MINISTRY ANTICIPATED AN OASGA MUCH LIKE PREVIOUS ONES. THE DIRECTOR ADDED THAT ECUADOR SAW THE OAS AS AN ORGANIZATION FROM WHICH NON-REGIONAL COUNTRIES WERE EXCLUDED FROM INTERFERING IN REGIONAL AFFAIRS, THUS MAKING IT USEFUL BECAUSE OF TIGHTER FOCUS.

4. AGENDA ITEM 10: THE DIRECTOR WAS MORE INTERESTED IN THIS ITEM. HE CONFIRMED THAT THE PHRASE " AVOIDING ACTS OR MEASURES THAT SERVE UNILATERAL POSITIONS OR INTERESTS ALIEN TO THE OBJECTIVES OF COOPERATION " REFERS TO THE  
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SEVERAL US ECONOMIC SANCTIONS GENERATED BY THE US-  
ECUADOREAN FISHERIES DISPUTE.

5. THE DIRECTOR WAS NOT VERY FORTHCOMING WITH RESPECT TO  
QUESTIONS A AND B IN PARAGRAPH 7 OF REFTEL. HOWEVER, IT  
WOULD APPEAR FROM THE ECUADOREAN ADDITION TO AGENDA  
ITEM 10 THAT THE GOE WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY LIKE TO SEE  
EMERGE FROM THE MEETING A STRONG OAS POSITION ON THE  
ILLEGITIMACY OF THE USE OF ECONOMIC SANCTIONS IN  
DISPUTES. THE GOE UNDOUBTEDLY EXPECTS TO RECEIVE  
SUPPORT FROM OTHER LATIN AMERICAN NATIONS ON THIS  
QUESTION.  
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